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Dear Judge Schriber

Because of the second outbreak of covid-19 here at Leavenworth I'm asking your Honor to place me on home confinement till this epidemic is under control.

The staff here said when I applied for compassionate release that they were doing everything to protect us "me" from the spread of covid-19. Letting inmates go around with no masks while also blocking their cell doors so they can be out at all times of the day with no consequence is not protecting me or others.

The day we went on this lockdown there were 35 cell doors open meaning 20 people were out that were suppose to be locked in. There's no way the staff dose not see there are way to many people out. Let alone see all the open doors. This putting me in danger as well as others.

While on this recent lockdown I still see the orderlies out some with no masks others with them on their chin instead of covering their nose and mouth.

We were told if we need new masks to see the staff. I did several time and never received a new mask. I have the same ones since march of 2020.

The court is well aware of me having COPD and emphysema along with glaucoma. I got covid-19 here already and though I was a quaver. I tested p symptomatic. I did just receive the first of 2 vaccine shots but I'm



sure I should of recieved the second shot by now. I need to check the computer to make sure.

I go to a out side eye doctor for injection in my left eye to keep me from going blind. Because of the out break here they are not getting me to these appointments. Im told because of covid-19 there are no out side medical visits.

They can't let me loose my sight. It bad enough that because of the mistake the South Dakota State Prison made by giving me the wrong eye drops for 3 1/2 month I had to have eye surgery and now do seven ~~the~~ different eye drops a day now from the two I did before their mix up. That's not including my injections every two weeks. I will include my eye doctors information in this letter so the court can contact them. I do not see an eye doctor at Leavenworth and any statement from them is just a way to cover there butts for not getting me to the out side eye doctor. You really don't want to know how bad the medical staf is here, or should I say lack of medical help. I used to go see the Syech Doctor but from the reception I got from the new one I never went back.

Im just asking for home confinement tell things are stable enough for me to return. I have a place to stay with my good long time friend Dave Spurgeon and his family. Letter inclosed from him. I can go to the VA hospital for all my medical needs. Although



I will need transportation. I can only make out things up to 30 feet away now. Some days less than that.

I should say two years ago my out side eye doctor gave me a prescription for new glasses. I handed it over to medical and was told: Glasses are the least of your worries. To this day I have not gotten new glasses. Yet other here have got them. I know because they changed the frames. People that have been here a short time have the new frames. My glasses are old and glued together by other inmates because they don't even have replacement parts to fix them. I turned them in to be fixed the last time I ran it to the dock and they came back taped together. That lasted less than an hour.

Prison is a place of disrespect. You can't run into people, step on toes, cut in front of others. By the grace of God everyone know I can't see and look after me. I can't program or take classes for time reduction. I can't work them defining the Americans with disabilities Act. I applied and was told you're blind. I can't even get a job washing put and pans. A friend teaches the hotel maintenance class and said just sign up and he'll pass me so I can get some good days. That changed with covid.

I put in for compassionate release but it was denied. Mainly because of the short time I served on my sentence and the medical staff here saying I was not taking my eye drops



because I turned in full bottles to get new drops. I'd be blind if I did not do my drops. My eye pressure stays at 12 to 14. With out drops it would be 24-32. We were on quarantine lock down and someone from medical bought me new drops. I told them the ones I had were full. She said I have them lets exchange them any ways. That how they got the full bottles. That happens twice in a red. Then I found out what they said and make sure they don't exchange them before they are empty now. Also just because they may have something in them don't mean they are not expired.

Thank you for you time your honor. Please give my request some consideration.

Sincerely  
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P.S. I can not find my outside eye doctor's information. Someone will have to get them from medical here.

One thing I left out. On my outside eye appointment. I was told after the injection if my vision starts to fade to call them right away. Later that night it started to happen so I contacted the C.O. in charge. He contacted the interned nurse said someone would get back to me. They never did and its been 3 weeks and although Im fine no one ever contacted me. There is no way I can call if something goes wrong. Every time I get an injection Im subject to going through the same thing tell they constraw whats going on with my one good eye. I am completely blind in my right eye. They cant get the left stable if I keep missing appointments. My doctor stated once he does not understand why Im not completely blind. If you look at my medical records my eye sight took a turn for the worst because of my stay at the South Dakota State Penitentiary.



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